

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE MAILED SEPTEMBER 24, 2008

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-compliance mailed September 24, 2008, which has a period for response set to expire on October 24, 2008, the Applicants request the Office enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although the Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0668 for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.